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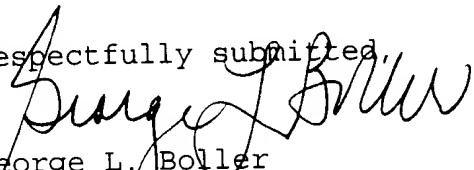
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
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First named inventor: Charles A. Wilkins

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Title: System for straining septic tank effluent before  
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- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
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- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

**1. Petition fee**

☒ Small entity-fee \$ 640 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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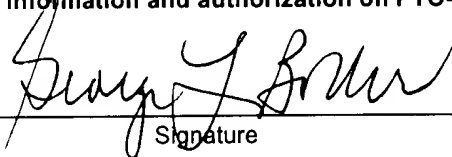
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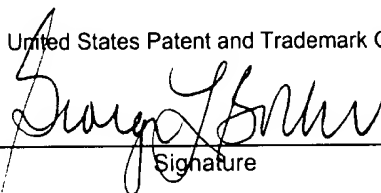
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